

**RFA CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT
GH/HIDN CHILD SURVIVAL AND HEALTH GRANTS PROGRAM
2006 RFA PVO CONFERENCE**

The U.S. Agency for International Development, Bureau for Global Health, Office of Health, Infectious Disease and Nutrition (USAID/GH/HIDN) is pleased to announce the FY 2006 Child Survival and Health Grants Program (CSHGP) Request for Applications (RFA) Conference. The CSHGP is a competitive assistance program open to all U.S. private and voluntary organizations (PVOs) registered with USAID, as well as U.S. nonprofit, nongovernmental organizations, engaged in health programming as part of their international development efforts.

FY 2006 RFA Conference:

The annual RFA Conference for interested applicants is scheduled for September 14th and 15th, 2005 and will include sessions on the RFA, technical updates and a new partner orientation. The conference will be held at the Sheraton Crystal City Hotel, 1800 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA. Please register for the conference on the CSTS+ Project's website at:

<http://www.childsurvival.com/>.

The complete conference agenda will be posted on both the USAID/CSHGP website http://www.usaid.gov/our_work/global_health/home/Funding/cs_grants/cs_index.html and the CSTS+ Project website. For more information on the conference, please contact Leo Ryan at CSTS+ Project (tel: 301-572-0219, or email: leo.j.ryan@orcmacro.com).

Attendees are asked to bring their own copy of the CSHGP FY 2006 RFA to the Conference as copies will not be provided.

CSHGP Program Objective and Authority:

The CSHGP program objective and results support U.S. PVOs and their local partners in the implementation of community-based child survival and health projects that contribute to sustained health outcomes and apply proven/successful PVO strategies to achieve scale. Cooperative Agreements are executed pursuant to the authority of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, subject to the availability of funds

FY 2006 Child Survival and Health Grants Program:

Since 1985, USAID has supported community-based child survival and health programs implemented by U.S. PVOs and their local partners. This work is aimed at reducing infant, child, maternal and infectious disease-related morbidity and mortality in developing countries. Sustained health improvements are achieved through capacity building of communities and local organizations and improved health systems and policies. In addition, the program seeks opportunities to scale up successful strategies and interventions to national levels and to contribute to the global capacity and leadership for child survival and health with the dissemination of best practices.

Eligibility Requirements:

To be eligible for funding under the Child Survival and Health Grants Program, an organization must be either a U.S. PVO registered with USAID or a U.S. non-profit, nongovernmental organization that has not received previous Global Health Bureau funding. See eligibility requirements identified in the FY 2006 RFA.

FY 2006 RFA Conference Presentations and Handouts will be available at www.childsurvival.com during the week of September 19, 2005.